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1. FONOFF (BLANCQUAERT - FE) STATES AFFIRMATIVE REPLY RECEIVED
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MARCH 10 FROM DRV VIA BELGIAN EMBASSY AT PEKING ON FORMULATION FOR AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS ON BASIS OF GOB COMMUNICATION TO DRV STATING SIMPLY THAT GOB DESIRES, IF DRV DOES SO SIMILARLY, TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. DRV AGREED TO NATURE OF MESSAGE AND ANTICIPATES ITS RECEIPT ON DATE GOB MAY CHOOSE. ALSO, DRV AGREES EITHER TO RELEASE OF SEPARATE ANNOUNCEMENTS OR OF JOINT TEXT AS BELGIANS WISH. BLANCQUAERT SAID BELGIAN EMBASSY REPORTED DRV REPRESENTATIVES NOTED IN CONVEYING HANOI'S REPLY THAT, WITHOUT PRESSING MATTER, DRV WISHED TO BRING TO ATTENTION OF GOB EXISTENCE IN SVN OF PRG. DRV DID NOT REFER IN ANY WAY TO GVN.

2. BLANCQUAERT STATES DRV REPLY MEETS GOB DESIRE TO AVOID QUESTIONS CONCERNING "RECOGNITION" THAT WOULD CONFLICT WITH EXTANT DE JURE RECOGNITION OF VIETNAMESE STATE WITHIN FRENCH UNION, AND WILL THUS AGAIN RAISE QUESTION OF RELATIONS WITH DRV IN EC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS ON MARCH 16 WITH VIEW TO ANNOUNCING GOB ACTION BY MARCH 20. BLANCQUAERT UNDERSTANDS ITALY, THE NETHERLANDS, LUXEMBOURG AND UK ARE PREPARED TO ANNOUNCE SIMILAR ACTION NOW BUT THAT FRG WILL AWAIT FURTHER INDICATIONS OF STABILITY IN REGION. ACCORDING TO CLANCQUAERT, GERMANS BELIEVE THIS WILL PROVIDE SOME LEVERAGE FOR MAINTENANCE OF VN AGREEMENTS BUT BELGIANS BELIEVE DRV WILL DO WHAT IT WILL IN ANY CASE AND ALL INTERESTS BEST SERVED BY HAVING REPRESENTATIVE ON SPOT TO ASSESS SITUATION. STRAUSS- HUPE

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